

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 2731

Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area Act of 2002

As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on October 8, 2002

S. 2731 would establish the Crossroads of the American Revolution National Heritage Area in New Jersey. Under the bill, the Crossroads of the American Revolution Association, Inc., would be the management entity, and develop a plan for protecting the natural and cultural resources, and establishing interpretive exhibits in the heritage area. The bill also would require the Secretary of the Interior to approve the plan before providing any federal funds to the association for implementing its activities. For all of these purposes, S. 2731 would authorize the appropriation of \$10 million, not to exceed \$1 million annually.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 2731 would cost \$10 million over the next 10 to 15 years. Such amounts would be used to cover a portion of the costs of protecting and enhancing the heritage area. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 2731 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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